

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS OF MAY 26TH, 1931,

The Board of Public Works met at the offices of the Board, Union Trust Building, Baltimore.

Present:

Albert C. Ritchie, Governor.
Wm. S. Gordy, Jr., Comptroller.
John M. Dennis, Treasurer.

Mr. H. C. Byrd, of the University of Maryland, appeared before the Board and asked approval of the Board on the awarding of contracts for the Horticulture Building, the Girl's Dormitory, and on the addition to the Engineering Building, to the Price Construction Company of Baltimore, Maryland, which company was low bidder. The bids were:

Horticulture Building-----	\$128,127.31
Girls Dormitory-----	\$109,420.62
Addition to the Engineering Bldg.	\$ 68,392.07

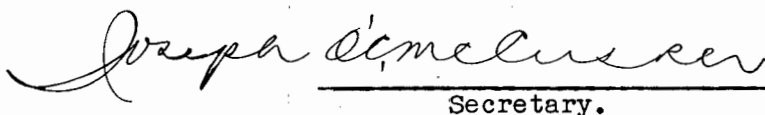
Mr. Byrd stated that the Board of Regents of the University recommended to the Board of Public Works that, in the case of the Girl's Dormitory, certain additions be made in order to provide a building to take care of a greater number of girls, which also would lower the per capita cost of housing, and that a part of the money appropriated by the last Legislature for another Girl's Dormitory be used to defray these additional costs. It was estimated that these additional costs would not run above \$25,000.00.

It also was stated by Mr. Byrd that of the \$100,000.00 appropriated for the addition to the Engineering Building, approximately \$80,000.00 would be used to cover costs of a new building addition, and recommended that the remaining \$20,000.00 be expended in changing the front of the building so that it would be more presentable in comparison to the buildings adjacent to it. Approval was also asked to begin construction of the Girl's Field House, the low bid for which was \$38,800.00 by the J. J. McDevitt Company of Charlotte, North Carolina.

The Board approved the recommendations and award of contracts as presented.

The Board also listened with interest to plans presented by Mr. Byrd for the financing of a Men's Field House. The plans had the approval of the Board of Regents. It was stated that the last Legislature appropriated \$20,000.00 to aid this project, and that bonds were to be sold by the University of Maryland Athletic Board, Incorporated, to finance the remainder of the cost of the building. The Board stated that no action should be taken to create a debt on the state, and that the legality of such bonds should be approved by the Attorney General's Office. It was the opinion of the Board that there was no reason why the project should not be carried out.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.


Secretary.